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In re Application of
MAARTEN BRUSSEE ET AL

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Examiner: HARRY D. WILKINS III

METHOD OF CONTROLLING AN ELECTROCHEMICAL MACHINING PROCESS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003.

Restriction has been required between Claims 1-29, 39-67 and 77, drawn to a method of controlling a process of electrochemical machining and the corresponding arrangement, as Group I; and Claims 30-38 and 68-76, drawn to a method of electrochemically machining comprising a material removing step and a workpiece changing step and the corresponding arrangement.

Responsive thereto, applicant elects to prosecute Claims 1-29, 39-67 and 77, Group I, said election being made without

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traverse.

It is submitted that this application is in condition for an action on the merits and allowance. An early allowance of all of the claims and issuance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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